A portrait of an elderly African American man with short, graying hair, smiling. He is wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt. The background behind him is a colorful, abstract stained glass design with geometric shapes in shades of red, purple, blue, and yellow.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

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McSamuel was born to the late Percy Carr, Sr. and Lillie V. Morine (Dukes) on February 9, 1946, in the great state of Texas. McSamuel was the eldest of had 5 boys, Percy Carr, Jr., Billy Carr, Robert Carr, Norman Dukes, and Tyrone Dukes. He grew up in the Potrero Hill projects in San Francisco, California and attended Galileo High School.

Early in his teenage years, he was an advocate for misguided youth and joined an organization called You for Service. Mac, as he was affectionately known, really liked to help people and he was very articulate in his speech and mannerisms. the organization chose him to represent San Francisco youth at the "Stop the Violence" conference in Germany.

As a young adult, Mac felt like life was moving too slow and he began gambling and dabbling in the drug life. He had charisma and enjoyed the finer things in life, so he knew he had to hustle his way to the top. Mac was always a leader and ambition led him to stand out amongst many. He moved his mother out of the projects and back then, that was an indication that you "made it".

Soon he began to struggle with the lifestyle that he lived and desperately wanted a change. In April of 1981, Mac ran into an old friend who was in the drug life with him and he was fascinated by how much his friend's life had changed. He told Mac about Jesus Christ. He was invited to Greater Refuge C.O.G.I.C and gave his life to Christ that day. He became a member and served as Deacon Carr under the leadership of Pastor Will Huffman. May 1, 1981, Deacon Carr married the love of his life, Bonnie Serrell.

After a few years of serving at Greater Refuge, Deacon Carr became a minister at True Vine C.O.G.I.C under the leadership of Pastor Charles Bell. In 1989, after God called Pastor Bell home, Minister Carr becomes the pastor of True Vince C.O.G.I.C.

Pastor Carr had a passion for God's word. During his years at True Vine, he taught the importance of soul-winning. He ran a program for homeless people called "Reach Out and Feed-In" where he would teach on God's word and serve hot meals afterward. He went out in the streets and told anyone who would listen about God and he made sure that the saints were equipped to win souls as well.

He taught a witnessing class every Wednesday. Witnessing became his focal point and it was clear to him if you don't tell people about Jesus, they will never know about him. That is why he was so passionate about spreading the good news that Jesus Christ died to save our souls.

Pastor Carr was faithful to the Lord and dedicated his life to his ministry. He did this until his health prevented him. He "Finished in the Extreme with the Lord!"

He is preceded in death by his parents, the late Percy Carr, Sr. And Lillie V. Morine (Dukes); and his four brothers Billy Carr, Robert Carr, Norman and Tyrone Dukes.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories a devoted and loving wife of 38 years, Bonnie Serrell-Carr; one brother, Percy Carr, Jr. of Vallejo, CA; three sons, Alexis Carr of Richmond, CA; Samuel Carr of Antioch, CA; Marcus Carr of San Francisco, CA; two daughters, April Carr of South San Francisco and Antionette (Selmar) Russell of Montgomery, AL; four grandsons, Emmanuel Carr of South San Francisco, CA; Samuel and Salamen Carr of Antioch, CA; Selmar Russell of Montgomery, AL; three granddaughters, Shacari Choice of Montgomery, AL; Janelle and Bailey Carr of San Francisco, CA; one great-granddaughter, Amina Franklin of Montgomery, AL; one great-grandson, Ayden Moore of Montgomery, AL; three nephews, Tyrone Dukes, Jr. of San Francisco, CA, Rasheed Norman Dukes of San Francisco, CA, and Tyrone Dukes, Jr. of Oakland, CA; three nieces, Sana Dukes, Toni Dukes, and Cherie Dukes; two cousins, Earma Applon and Shirley McGee; the True Vine COGIC family and a host of deacons, ministers, pastors and other family and friends.



I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savoured much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.



It's Okay to Go

You were tired and we all knew
That God would soon come to take you.
You fought so hard, so very long,
But through the pain, you stayed so strong.
We all knew there would come a day
When God would come to carry you away
It doesn't make it easier to say goodbye,
And I try so hard not to cry
I can't help but feel defeated,
Or even maybe a little cheated.
But how very selfish would I be
To hope and pray you could stay with me.
So, as you laid there, tubes running to and fro,
I had to tell you, "It's okay to go."
Say "hi" to loved ones waiting on the other side.
I know some day you'll be there
when I take that ride.

With Love, Bonnie, your Children,
Grandchildren, and Great Grandchildren





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Order of Service

Musical Prelude Adam Bailey
Processional Family & Clergy
Invocation Elder Justin Genevro

Scriptures

Old Testament Elder James Eli
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
New Testament Minister Patrick Wilson
II Timothy 4:5-8
Solo Joyce Genevro
"What is This"

Expressions (3 minutes)

Sister Eula Trotter • Mother Evelyn Wilson • Mother Helen Shaw •
Minister Clifford Gooden

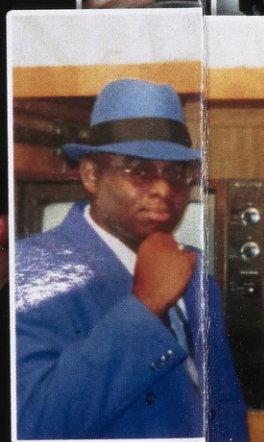
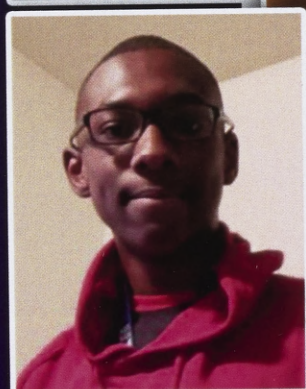
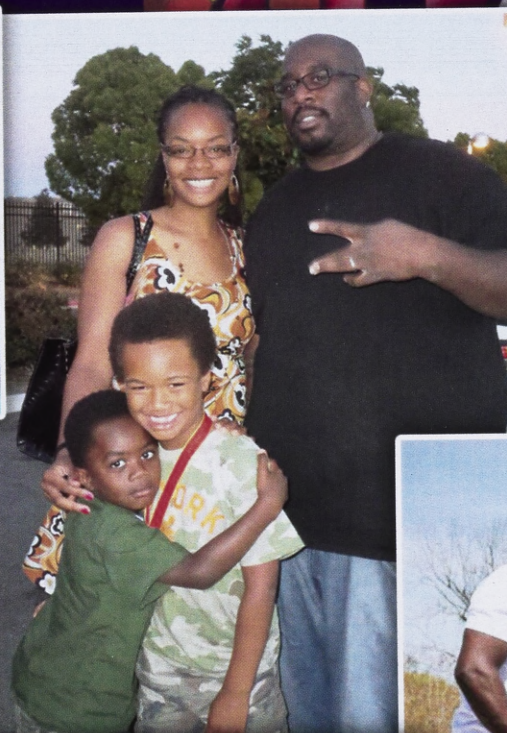
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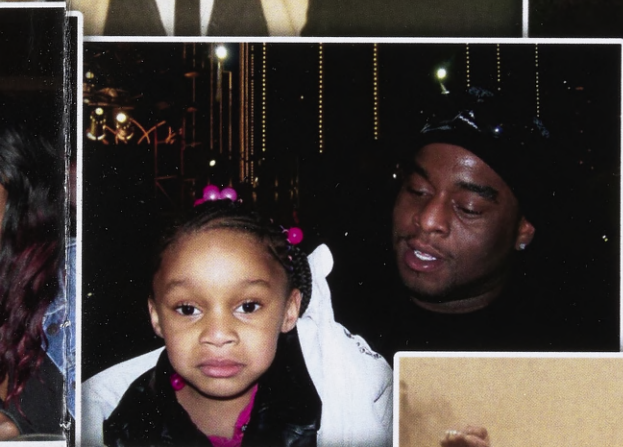
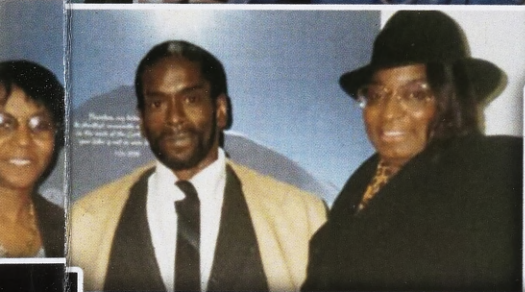
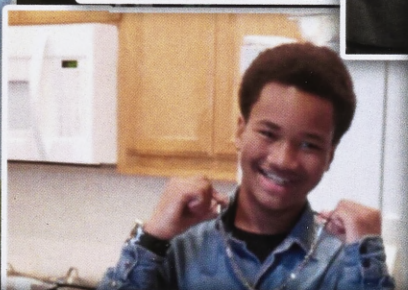
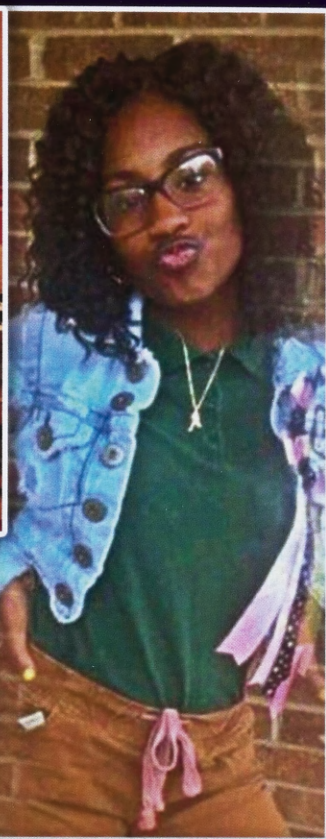
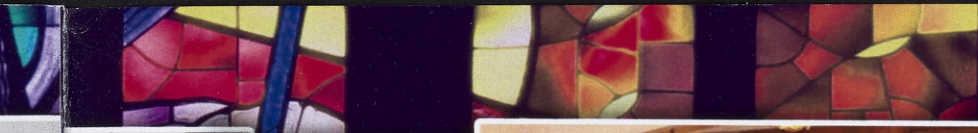
Special Expressions (3 minutes)

Elder Will Huffman (former Pastor) •
Pastor Clarence Gooden • Pastor Willie Gooden •
Superintendent Mark Clifton, SF District • April Carr

Solo Alexis Carr
Acknowledgements/Resolutions Eula Trotter
Obituary Read Silently
Sermonic Solo Sister Shonda Batton
Introduction of Eulogist Pastor Yul Dorn
Eulogy First Administrative Assistant Gerald E. Harris
Bethany COGIC, Gilroy, CA
Parting View Duggan Welch Family Funeral Home

Please join the Carr Family and True Vine Church for a repast and
fellowship immediately following the service in the dining hall







PALLBEARERS

Brother Joe Cloudon • Deacon Arthur Ford • Deacon Paul Pete •
Elder James Eli • Elder Rudolph Garrett • Minister Clifford Gooden •
Minister Patrick Wilson • Minister Ronnie Trotter

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Alexis Carr • Ayden Moore • Emmanuel Carr •
Marcus Carr • Salamen Carr • Samuel Carr, Sr. •
Samuel Carr, Jr. • Selmar Russell • Selmar Russell III

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The family of Pastor McSamuel Carr greatly appreciates
the comforting words, prayers, and deeds of
kindness during our time of bereavement. We pray
that God continues to bless you all.

-The Carr Family

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